

HONORING JAN MEYER

HON. JOHN GARAMENDI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 25, 2015

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the work of Jan Meyer a youth advocate, and one of my district's 2015 Woman of the year.

Whereas, on the Twenty-Second Day of September, of the Year Two Thousand and Fifteen, Jan Meyer was recognized as a 2015 Woman of the year.

Whereas, Jan Meyer is the Parks and Recreation Director for the City of Live Oak. For the past 15 years, city residents have been delighted to learn that there are no limits to Jan's imagination and determination to design and implement programs tailored especially for them.

Whereas, Jan works collaboratively with schools and service and civic clubs to provide athletic programs to children and adults. She coordinates with these same organizations, local businesses, Live Oak's Chamber of Commerce, the Arts Commission, and Police and Fire departments to provide annual events including the National Night Out, Small Town Christmas, and the Live Oak Fall Festival.

Whereas, ensuring the recreational needs of Live Oak's youth are met is where Jan really shines. During the summer months, the community pool is a beehive of activity with entertainment, games, treats, and themed events. Jan has created scholarship opportunities for all youth programs, including Pool Passes based on family income, so that no Live Oak child is turned away for the inability to pay. At the beginning of each school year, Jan works with service clubs to ensure that local students have the school supplies they need. If this or any other program falls short, she always finds a way to make up for the shortfall.

Whereas, every child of Live Oak is deserving of a safe community to play and grow in. What is special about Jan is that her heart holds each and every one of Live Oak's children within it.

Resolved, that I Congressman JOHN GARAMENDI of California's Third Congressional District, do hereby recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of Jan Meyer.

TRIBUTE TO HANNAH JORGENSEN

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

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Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Hannah Jorgensen of Adair, Iowa for receiving a state 4-H citizenship project award. Hannah is the daughter of Paul and Jeanette Jorgensen.

A state 4-H project award is the highest achievement one can receive in the 4-H project work category. Project awards are given to youth who demonstrate leadership, communication, and volunteerism in certain project areas. A total of 152 youth from 55 counties competed for these project awards on the state level. Achieving this honor is a true testament to Hannah's dedication to serving others, and I commend her for her hard work.

Mr. Speaker, Hannah's actions embody the Iowa spirit and I am honored to represent her in the United States Congress. I know that all of my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives will join me in congratulating Hannah on her achievement and I wish her and her family nothing but the best.

RECOGNIZING AND CONGRATULATING CALVO'S SELECT CARE ON ITS 15TH ANNIVERSARY OF SERVICE ON GUAM

HON. MADELEINE Z. BORDALLO

OF GUAM

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 25, 2015

Ms. BORDALLO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Calvo's Select Care as the company celebrates its 15th anniversary of business and service to the people of Guam. Calvo's Select Care began operations in Guam in 2000 with the plan originally insured by Nichido Insurance. The plan is now insured by Tokio Marine Pacific Insurance (TMPPI), a local company formed by the merger of Nichido Insurance and Tokio Marine.

Calvo's Select Care has its main office in Guam and has branches in the Northern Mariana Islands, Palau and service offices in the Philippines. Calvo's Select Care has experienced steady growth over the years. Significant expansion of Calvo's Select Care was signified with the opening of its office in Koror, Palau in 2006 and its service office in Manila, Philippines in 2007. In 2008 Calvo's Select Care became the sole provider of health insurance benefits for the government of Guam employees and in 2013 was approved to offer health insurance benefits to federal employees and annuitants. The company insures over 38,000 members from government of Guam employees and retirees, federal employees and annuitants, and commercial groups throughout Guam, CNMI and Palau.

Calvo's Select Care provides an extensive network of medical providers to its members in Guam, the CNMI, Palau, the mainland United States, Japan, Korea, Taiwan, Hong Kong, and the Philippines. The company is also innovative and offers unique plans to meet the variety of needs of its members. Calvo's Select Care introduced the first web based application in Guam for its members to use. They also introduced wellness programs in partnership with clinics and fitness facilities. Calvo's Select Care also offers free gym benefits to government of Guam employees and discounted gym memberships for its commercial groups. In addition to gym access, these wellness programs include smoking cessation and diabetes management. Calvo's Select Care introduced the Air Ambulance discount program to its members. The program has been a success and has saved over 10 lives on island since it started. Additionally, the company plans on launching a mobile application to provide better service and make things more consumer friendly.

I congratulate Calvo's Select Care on its 15th anniversary and commend the company's leadership and all employees for their contributions to the community of Guam and throughout the region. I look forward to their future contributions and success.

HONORING GRACIELA ESPINDOLA

HON. JOHN GARAMENDI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 25, 2015

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the work of Graciela Espindola a youth advocate, and one of my district's 2015 Woman of the Year.

Whereas, on the Twenty-Second Day of September, of the Year Two Thousand and Fifteen, Graciela Espindola was recognized as a 2015 Woman of the Year.

Whereas, Graciela Espindola is the Program Coordinator of the Intervention and Prevention Programs that she founded and established for the Sutter County Superintendent of Schools Office in Yuba City, California. She has over 30 years of professional experience in educational systems and structures with an emphasis in social work.

Whereas, throughout her years of experience, Graciela has chaired several local and state organizations including President of the California Association of Child Welfare and Attendance organization, Chair of the Pupil Services Coalition, and California Delegate of the International Association for Truancy & Dropout Prevention. She has also served on the California Department of Education's K-12 Student Mental Health Initiative Advisory Board, School Attendance Review Board, and the Gang Risk Intervention Program.

Whereas, Graciela has a certification in Counseling Vocational Assessment & Career Counseling from Chapman College and Human Resources and Management from the California State University, Sacramento. She is currently a Masters in Social Work candidate at the University of Southern California's dual Social Work and Global Policy PhD program. In addition, Graciela is also a successful grant writer and project manager, securing more than \$7 million in grant funds during her career.

Resolved, that I Congressman JOHN GARAMENDI of California's Third Congressional District, do hereby recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of Graciela Espindola.

TRIBUTE TO HAROLD AND JERE TIARKS

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 25, 2015

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Harold and Jere Tiarks of Treynor, Iowa, on the very special occasion of their 60th wedding anniversary. Harold and Jere were married on September 10, 1955 in Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Harold and Jere's lifelong commitment to each other, their children, and their family truly embodies our Iowa values. I commend this devoted couple on their 60th year together and I wish them many more. I know my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives will join me in congratulating them on this momentous occasion. I wish them and their family nothing but the best moving forward.